

A FARMER'S LOSS IN PETERSBURG

Dropped His Pocketbook, Which Contained Seventy-Five Dollars.

FOR MUNICIPAL REPAIRS

Council Committee Considers Them—Petersburg People Abroad.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
PETERSBURG, VA., August 3.—A farmer named A. H. Pagan, residing near Port Waltham, in Chesterfield county, while visiting this city several days ago, lost his pocketbook, containing about \$75, on Hollingsbrook Street. He advertised his loss and notified the police. It is said that the police this morning obtained a clue to the finder of the money, and an arrest may follow.

The Joint Finance Committee at a meeting held yesterday afternoon decided to recommend appropriations to settle up the affairs of the several municipal departments for this month, which closes the fiscal year. The committee will also recommend the thorough renovation and repainting of the Council Chamber and the installation of a plant for heating all the rooms and offices in the court-house. It is estimated that these improvements will cost in the neighborhood of \$4,000, which amount will be included in the general appropriations bill, to be passed upon by the Council this month. At present the court-house is heated by grate and stove fires.

A slight fire occurred about 12 o'clock last night on Adams Street, destroying one of the out-houses in the yard and damaging the kitchen. The department was called out and soon controlled the flames.

Mr. N. P. Goulder, a former citizen of Petersburg, was married in Washington yesterday to Miss Mary Thomas, of that city. Their home will be in Washington.

Hon. Richard B. Davis and Mrs. Davis sailed from New York to-day for Scotland. They will travel extensively abroad and will not return home before the middle of October. Mr. and Mrs. George Cameron, Miss Helen Cameron, Mrs. Mary Dunlop and children and Mrs. Mollie Johnston, are among the other Petersburgers who are abroad.

Doing Noble Work.
The King's Daughters have under their care a family of six persons—husband, wife and four children, residing on Old Main Street, with fever and absolutely needy. The case is a very sad one, and relief is urgently asked for.

The ten-year-old daughter of Thornton Harrison, colored, while at the home of her sister, near Waverly, yesterday afternoon, was burned to death and the house and furniture destroyed. The girl attempted to kindle a fire in the stove with kerosene, and the expected happened. Two other children in the house at the time escaped injury.

The largest excursion party of the season, filling fourteen coaches, left this city this morning for Norfolk and Virginia Beach. The excursion was given for the benefit of West Street M. E. Church.

Ex-Governor Wm. E. Cameron went down to Norfolk this morning.

MRS. JORDAN IN JAIL.

Offered Bail, But Unable to Secure It—Jail in Bad Condition.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
ROXBURY, N. J., August 3.—The attempted murder of Mrs. Ellen Jordan by her sister, Mrs. Addie Jordan, an aged widow, as told in to-day's Times-Dispatch, created interest in this section. Mrs. Jordan is the first white woman ever in jail in New Kent.

The woman's condition is under the care of Dr. Barnard, who thinks she may recover, but it is impossible to tell at this writing what the results may be. Mrs. Jordan has been allowed bail in the sum of \$500, but this she has not secured so far. There will be no court in New Kent until November. That is in a fearful condition, says Sheriff Apperson. The sanitary condition is so bad that no human being could live in such a place many weeks.

The young sheriff felt so much interest in the poor woman that he went down yesterday and took her from the ground floor of the jail and put her in the upper story.

Now she is confined in a steel cage, where foul air impregnates every crevice, yet it is much better than the room which she was taken from. The prisoner has been married twice and has two sons in the United States army.

Many think insanity will be the plea of the defense.

STEAMER REPORTED.

Charge That the Ocean View Was Overloaded.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NEWPORT NEWS, VA., August 3.—Colonel of Customs J. B. Stuart to-day stated that he had reported to the owners of the steamer Ocean View, to the Department of Commerce and Labor, while handling the Richmond Heptaphosphorus excursion yesterday she carried 112 passengers, twelve more than the limit fixed by the law. The penalty for the offense is \$10 for each passenger over the limit and the forfeiture of the fares paid by the passengers.

It is announced that W. N. Page, president of the Tidewater Railroad, has appointed the Smokeless Fuel Company agents for the coal mined out of the Loup Creek district, and until the Tidewater road is completed the output of these mines will be handled through the port over the Chesapeake and Ohio. It is understood that \$3,000 tons of coal per day will be the output of the mines.

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HID HIS SUICIDAL PURPOSE FROM FRIEND

Frazier Courdill Commits Suicide By the Use of Laudanum.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
EAST RADFORD, VA., Aug. 3.—Frazier Courdill, a bridge man, aged 22 years, employed on the Norfolk and Western bridge at this place, died suddenly this morning under circumstances that point to suicide. Yesterday he worked all day and ate a hearty supper. He was taken ill about midnight, and the companion with whom he slept wanted to call a physician. Young Courdill objected, however, saying that he was better. About 4 o'clock Courdill's companion awoke, found him unconscious. When physicians arrived he was in a dying condition, and breathed his last in an hour or two later.

An empty laudanum bottle from Lyle's drugstore was found near the house to-day, and a man answering Courdill's description purchased a similar bottle there last night. Yesterday he remarked to his companion that he was not going to live long, but they thought nothing about it. The young man is a son of Mr. T. A. Courdill, of Graham, who is a master carpenter of the Norfolk and Western. He will arrive to-night and take charge of the remains.

The family is well-to-do, and it is said his family were opposed to his coming here to work. There was no motive known for the deed, if suicide it was. Young Courdill was popular with his companions, and was the only son of fond parents.

FISHER'S HILL.

A Great Gathering Will Assemble at the Celebration.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
WOODSTOCK, VA., August 3.—The cornerstone to the new Methodist Church of Woodstock will be laid on Wednesday, August 23d, with imposing ceremonies. The ceremonies will be under the auspices of the Central Lodge, No. 1, A. O. U. W. of Woodstock, who will have prominent speakers, and a musical programme will be arranged; also excursions over the Southern Railway.

The annual Confederate Veterans' reunion at Fisher's Hill, on Saturday, August 5th, under the auspices of the Camp, C. V. of Strasburg, promises to be one of the largest gatherings of veterans in the Valley for a number of years. The conference and reunion will be in attendance, and the address will be made by the Governor. Preparations are being made to entertain ten thousand people at this gathering.

On Saturday night Governor Montague is billed to speak to the citizens of Woodstock in the court-house. Mr. A. G. Wynkoop, of Charleston, W. Va., is the guest of his sister, Mrs. D. L. Wynkoop, in the court-house.

Miss Bessie Ball, of Leesburg, has returned to her home, after spending a month with Mrs. H. O. Nicholson, of this place.

Rev. W. C. Schaeffer, Jr., of Savannah, Ga., has accepted the call extended him by the congregation of Emmanuel Lutheran Church, of Woodstock, and will begin his ministerial duties here on October 15th. At the time Rev. Mr. Schaeffer is in Germany, where he has been preparing for the ministry.

Fredericksburg Notes.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
FREDERICKSBURG, VA., Aug. 3.—The Business Men's Association, of this city, has elected Dr. J. Garnett King as secretary of the body to succeed Mr. Edgar W. Stearns, resigned, who has gone to Lynchburg to reside.

Mrs. Dr. G. M. Wallace, of Stafford, wife of State Senator G. M. Wallace, left yesterday for Baltimore, from which place she sails to-day with a party of friends for a trip through Europe. She will be absent for several months.

Dead Man's Letter.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
WINCHESTER, VA., August 3.—Late to-night a Charleston, W. Va., clothier, who sold the dead man a complete outfit, including the old clothes, found in the coat pocket a registry receipt made out to James Nicholson, at Netters, Va., from William Nicholson, who is evidently the dead man's brother.

He sent the registered letter from Davis, W. Va., and was in the lumber business. Several letters addressed to William Nicholson were also found.

Charlotte Republicans.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
DRAPER'S BRANCH, VA., August 3.—The Charlotte Republicans met at Draper's Branch to-day to elect delegates and alternates to the State Republican convention at Roanoke, August 18th. The following were elected:

Delegates—W. S. Gregory, J. H. Ingram, A. B. Janner and A. H. Zollinger. Alternates—H. R. Adams, J. I. DeFord, C. L. Grymes and W. M. Berkley. Resolutions were adopted endorsing the nomination of Judge L. L. Lewis for Governor.

No nomination was made for the House of Delegates, the matter being deferred until a later date.

BEAT AND KICKED WHITE WOMAN

Negro Barkeeper Goes to Jail for Brutal Attack.

DREDGING AT CAPE CHARLES

The Contract Awarded to John L. Green, of Philadelphia.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NORFOLK, VA., August 3.—Thomas Pendergast, a negro bartender for Tobo C. Howard, white, of upper Church Street, was sentenced to pay a fine of \$250 and to go to jail for six months, on the complaint of Mrs. Howard, a frail white woman, wife of the barkeeper, whom he had beaten unmercifully.

Mrs. Howard had sought to take charge of the cash receipts at the bar, during the absence of her husband, and to get some brandy to bathe a sick child. The negro cursed, beat and kicked her and she was then forced by the drunken husband to sign a paper acquitting the negro. The husband was restored to his right mind and allowed the wife to make the complaint and to deny the paper she had signed.

DREDGING CONTRACT.
John L. Grimm, of Philadelphia, was the lowest bidder here to-day for the contract for dredging the harbor at Cape Charles, Va. Congress appropriated \$22,000 for the work. The bids were John L. Grimm, of Philadelphia, 19 3-8 cents; Silver and Harbor Improvement Company, 23 1-2 cents; Coastwise Dredging Company, 26 9-10 cents; Maryland Dredging and Constructing Company, 22 cents; Norfolk Dredging Company, 25 cents; McLean Contracting Company, 25 1-2 cents per cubic yard.

HIGHWAY ROBBERY.
Richard Honeycutt, a one-armed negro, was arrested and lodged in the Norfolk county jail to-day, charged with highway robbery. The information was given by George W. Hodges, another one-armed negro, who is under sentence to the penitentiary for eleven years for holding up and robbing John Perry, of \$30. W. H. Mayfield had been condemned at the same time on the same charge by the efforts of Hodges. Hodges declared that his conscience troubled him and he could not sleep till he cleared Mayfield "and proved the other one-armed nigger like me guilty."

TEACHERS ELECTED.

Fine Prospects for William and Mary Next Session.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
WILLIAMSBURG, VA., August 3.—The City School Board last night elected the following teachers: Nicholson School, first assistant, Miss Harriet Hawkins; second assistant, Miss Virgie Jones; third assistant, Miss Bessie Morris; fourth assistant, Miss Elizabeth Morris. School No. 2, principal, Mr. J. N. Hillman was elected principal of Nicholson School, last June.

Mr. O. L. Shewmake, who has been traveling through the State in the interest of William and Mary College, was in town to-day. Mr. Shewmake says the prospects for a large attendance at William and Mary next session is better than it has been for many years. Mr. Shewmake has also been soliciting contributions from the alumni for the new Science Hall, and has met with good success. Mr. Shewmake, who is a graduate of William and Mary, was recently elected to a professorship in Georgetown College, S. C.

Mr. T. F. Johnson to-day leased the brick hotel of Mr. A. W. Jennings and will open a first-class hotel as soon as the repairs now in progress are completed.

NEGRO DELEGATES.

Pedford Republicans Trying to Eliminate Them.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
BEDFORD CITY, VA., August 3.—The Republican County Convention was held here yesterday and nominated Messrs. John B. Gardner, of the Southern, and S. A. Major, of the North, as candidates for the Legislature. The meeting was presided over by W. B. Gray, with James H. Guy, Jr., secretary. At the county primary Saturday efforts had been made to eliminate the negro from the convention, but this raised a storm of protest from many delegates. The convention yesterday sought to pacify all interests, and there are four negroes among the eighteen delegates to the State convention. These delegates are entitled to a third of a vote each.

The delegates are W. B. Gray, W. H. Moore, J. W. Bond, J. T. St. Clair, David Moore, J. H. Musgrove, E. F. Smith, John B. Gardner, J. D. Robertson, William Keen, William Gilmore, William E. C. Speadin, J. R. Guy, Jr., J. D. Jacobs, Robert Mead, M. P. Rucker and Spencer Burnwell.

COL. PATTON DEAD.

Succumbs to Injuries Sustained in Explosion Recently.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
CHARLESTON, W. VA., August 3.—Col. George W. Patton, a prominent attorney of this city, died here to-day as a result of injuries sustained on July 14th last in the explosion of natural gas in a record vault at the court-house. Col. Patton is the second victim of the accident. Deputy County Clerk Snider having died two days after the explosion. Col. Patton was seventy-four years of age and a native of Lewistown, Pa., to which place the remains will be taken to-morrow for burial.

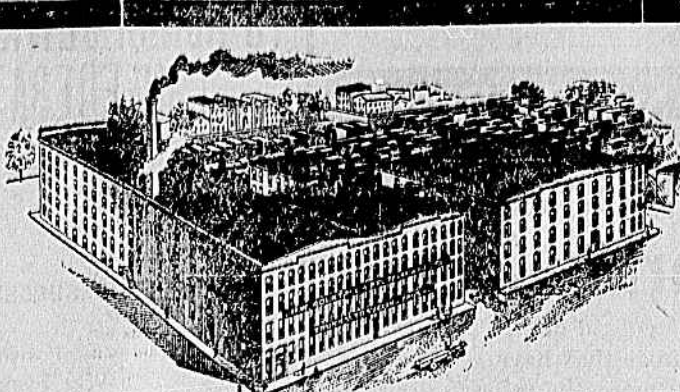
RUNAWAY CAUSED BY AN AUTOMOBILE

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
WINCHESTER, VA., August 3.—Hal Wiginton, employed by Robert M. Henderson, was seriously injured this afternoon by being thrown from a runaway team that was frightened by an automobile, driven by William M. McAllister, of Covington, Va. The team had a clean path through Main Street, and as it neared a corner the wagon struck a curbstone, throwing Wiginton up in the air, striking the paved street on top of his head and cutting his chin.

He was picked up unconscious, and tonight is in a precarious condition. The automobile was arrested, but later discharged.

Bliss—Allen.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NORFOLK, VA., Aug. 3.—A pretty wedding was solemnized at the Freemason Street Baptist Church here to-day, when Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Allen, was married to Mr. Walter Glenroy Bliss, 20



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the strains of the Lohengrin wedding march, and preceded by her attendants, who entered the church with her father, followed by the bridesmaid, Miss Blanche H. Allen, sister of the bride, and John R. Moreland, Mr. J. P. Buskey, Mr. C. E. Francis and Mr. W. L. Morse.

The bride and groom immediately left by the Old Bay line and will include the following places in their honeymoon trip: Baltimore, Philadelphia, Atlantic City, New York, Albany and Saratoga. Upon their return Mr. and Mrs. Bliss will reside in the Henrietta apartments.

At the absence of the pastor of the church, Rev. W. M. Vines, who is attending a family reunion in Tennessee, Rev. S. B. Bland, of the First Baptist Church, officiated.

The bride is a pretty brunette, while the groom is the police and efficient assistant and secretary of the Retail Merchants' Association.

Umpire Stachle at Newark.

Mr. D. Stachle, who was here with the Norfolk baseball nine, and who umpired Wednesday's game satisfactorily, will go to Newark, N. J., on the 14th to umpire in the Eastern League. Mr. Stachle's home is in Orange, N. J., and he is well known to the baseball men of the Eastern League. His brother, George Stachle, is now playing in the South Atlantic League as pitcher. He was with the Norfolk team in 1898 when Bishop was here.

Umpire Stachle has everything in his favor as a good umpire. He is a pugilist, and it is a safe wager that there will be no back talk about his decisions. His style is said to be to turn to the player who is kicking and say: "See me after the game, and I will try to accommodate you."

An Ice Cream Festival.

A most enjoyable time was had by all who attended the ice cream festival given last night at 8:30 o'clock by Mrs. J. K. Branch at the Riverside Club, No. 603 Branch Street. Sixty persons, including the lady friends of the members of the club, were present and were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Branch. Among the features of the evening was the quartette singing by the young men of the club. The club's members also expressed their appreciation of the interest in the club manifested by Mrs. Branch and Mrs. Davis.

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KICKING AT MAN'S HAT COST HIM HIS LIFE

Lee Howell Dies From a Fall From a Passenger Train.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
WINCHESTER, VA., August 3.—A young white man who gave his name as Lee Howell, of Jefferson county, W. Va., died at Winchester Memorial Hospital late this afternoon from injuries received by falling from the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad excursion train, that was carrying the Sarah Zane Fire Company, of Winchester, and friends to Harper's Ferry this morning.

Howell spent the night in Winchester at an East Side restaurant, and boarded an early train, but was put off near Stephenson, he having no ticket. Walking to Wadesville, he bought a ticket and boarded the excursion train. When it neared Aldridge, W. Va., he was standing on the car platform and attempted to kick off a man's hat, and in doing so fell off, fracturing his skull and sustaining internal injuries. He was brought to Memorial Hospital in a dying condition. He was about twenty-five years old and well dressed. Nothing is known here of his family.

VIRGINIA DENTISTS.

Distinguished Baltimoreans Give Clinic Before Association.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
LYNCHBURG, VA., August 3.—The second day of the convention of the Virginia Dental Association to-day was given over for the most part to clinics and papers and a general discussion of each theme under consideration.

Killed His Little Brother.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
BLUEFIELD, W. VA., August 3.—Jesse Smith, fourteen-year-old son of Abe Smith, was accidentally shot by his brother, Frank, while playing with a pistol, supposed not to be loaded, at his home near Lurich this morning, the ball taking effect in the abdomen. Young Smith was brought to Sanitarium here this evening and died during the operation.

McConnell—Riggs.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., August 3.—Professor J. M. McConnell, of Davidson College, N. C., and Miss Ellen Riggs, of Unity, Montgomery county, Md., were married here at 10 o'clock this morning at the residence of the bride's aunt, on Park Street. The ceremony being performed by the Rev. Dr. George L. Pfeiffer.

pastor of the Presbyterian Church. The marriage was a quiet one and was witnessed only by the immediate friends of the contracting parties.

Miss Riggs, who has been living with her aunt in this city for several years past, is one of the most charming girls of the social set in Charlottesville and is exceedingly popular.

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